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Federal Communications Commission
Washington, DC 20554

Dear Sirs:

Kansas State & Extension Forestry hereby **submits the following comments in** response to the Notice of Proposed Rule **making in PR** Docket No. 92-235, released by the Commission on November 6, 1992.

1. The fiscal impact of the notice of **proposed rule** will be devastating to user agencies. The proposal will require **all new equipment** and additional repeaters to insure the current coverage of the existing area. Even if funding were possible, the January 1996 implementation date **does not allow** for adequate public agency budget preparation or legislative approval time.
2. The proposed transaction period will allow only those agencies **converted** to the new standards to communicate with each other. This will **prevent** interagency communications necessary during fire emergencies. This will be especially true between state and federal agencies.

Thank you for your consideration.

Sincerely,

Raymond G. Aslin
State Forester

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